

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1 and 6, amend claims 2, 4, 5, 7-9, 12 and 13, and add a new claim 14, as follows:

1. (canceled)

2. (currently amended) An image transmission device ~~according to claim 1~~ ~~transmitting first coded-image data with a coded first image, and second coded-image data with a coded second image with a predetermined form, which is displayed over the first image, the second image having a changed form when displayed in the case of the first coded-image data being tampered with, thereby to visually evidence the tampering, the device~~ comprising:

first image coding means for coding the first image;

hash value operation means for calculating a hash value of the first image;

second image coding means for coding the second image;

encryption means for encrypting the second coded-image data by using the hash value of the first image as a key; and

transmission means for transmitting the first coded-image data and the encrypted second coded-image data.

3. (previously presented) An image transmission device according to claim 2,

wherein the transmission means comprise multiplexing means for multiplexing the first coded-image data and the encrypted second coded-image data.

4. (currently amended) An image transmission device according to claim [[1]] 2, wherein the second image includes an image selected from the group of images consisting of marks, stamps, and signs, which are used to ensure that the coded-image data of the first image are not tampered with.

5. (currently amended) A storage medium wherein the program for realizing a function of the image transmission device according to claim [[1]] 2 is stored.

6. (canceled)

7. (currently amended) An image display device according to claim [[6]] 9, wherein the first image data and the second image data are acquired by receiving from ~~the outside of an image transmission device.~~

8. (currently amended) An image display device according to claim [[6]] 9, wherein the first image data and the second image data are acquired by reading from storage media.

9. (currently amended) An image display device ~~according to claim 6 displaying in layers a first image, which is achieved by decoding first coded-image data, and decoding a second image, which is achieved by decoding second coded-image data, the second image changing form in the case of the first coded-image data being tampered with, thereby to~~

visually evidence the tampering, the device comprising:

data acquisition means for acquiring the first coded-image data and the encrypted second coded-image data;

first image decoding means for decoding the first coded-image data;

hash value operation means for calculating the hash value of the decoded first image;

decryption means for decrypting the encrypted second coded-image data by using the hash value of the first image as a key;

second image decoding means for decoding the decrypted second coded-image data;

and

image combination means for combining the decoded first image with the decoded second image.

10. (previously presented) An image display device according to claim 9, wherein the data acquisition means comprise multiplexing and dividing means for dividing the multiplexed data in the case of the first coded-image data and the encrypted second coded-image data multiplexed.

11. (previously presented) An image display device according to claim 9, wherein the second image includes an image selected from the group of images consisting of marks, stamps, or signs, which are used to ensure that the coded-image data of the first image are not tampered with.

12. (currently amended) A storage medium wherein a program for realizing a function of image display device according to claim [[6]] 2 is stored.

13. (currently amended) An image transmission/reception system comprising:
an image transmission device transmitting:

first coded-image data with a ~~coded~~ first image ~~coded~~, and

second coded-image data with a coded second image with a predetermined form, which is displayed over the first image, the second image having a changed form when displayed in the case of the first coded-image data being tampered with, thereby visually to evidence the tampering; and

an image display device according to claim [[6]] 2, between which the first image and the second image are transmitted/received.

14. (new) An image transmission/reception system comprising an image transmission device according to claim 2 and an image display device, between which the coded first image and the coded second image are transmitted/received, the image display device displaying in layers a first decoded image which is achieved by decoding the first coded-image data and a second decoded image, which is achieved by decoding the second coded-image data, the second decoded image changing form in the case of the first coded-image data being tampered with, thereby visually to evidence the tampering.